THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) According to ICMR, there is no scientific basis the fish treatment of Asthma and bronchitis. There should be sufficient amount of evidence to prove efficacy of this treatment modality for it to be patented. Since no scientific evidence through properly conducted clinical trials are available to validate the results no steps have been taken to encourage/discourage such practice.

Amount Allocated by IEC Materials to Assam

830. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government allocated Rs. 13 crores for I.E.C. materials for the State of Assam during the year 1999-2000;

(b) whether it is a fact that out of it only Rs.50 lakhs were released for Assam for the above purpose;

(c) if so, the reasons for not releasing the entire fund; and

(d) the steps taken to ensure release of the whole amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) A sum of Rs.368.625 Lakhs was released to the State of Assam during 1999-2000 for IEC activities. This included activities under the Pulse Polio Immunization Programme.

VRS/VSS in PSEs

831. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) The VRS/VSS paid, so far, in PSEs as per available information (Enterprise-wise); and

(b) the closure cost of PSEs closed, so far, (Enterprise-wise)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

(DR. VALLABH BHAI RAMJI BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) As per available information Rs. 5960 crores have been paid so far towards VRS/VSS to the employees of CPSEs since inception of the VR Scheme. The enterprise- wise details are given in the Statement (*see* below).

Information regarding closure cost of PSEs is not centrally maintained.

Statement

Amount of VRS/VSS paid to the employees of Central PSEs (Enterprise-wise) since inception

S. No.	Name of PSE	Amount (Rs. Crores)
1	2	3
1.	National Seeds Corpn. Ltd.	16.56
2.	State Farms Corporation	12.80
3.	North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corpn. Ltd.	0.41
4.	Bengal Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	15.96
5.	Bengal Immunity Ltd.	6.38
6.	Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.	14.97
7.	Hindustan Insecticides Ltd.	7.02
8.	Hindustan Organic Chemicals Ltd.	4.55
9.	Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	75.49
10.	Indian Petro Chemicals Corpn. Ltd.	3.71
11.	Karnataka Antibiotics & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	0.63
12.	Smith Stanistreet & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	5.43
13.	Fertilizer Corpn. of India Ltd.	34.64
14.	Fertilizers & Chemicals (Travancore) Ltd.	8.06
15.	Hindustan Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd.	43.28
16.	Madras Fertilizers Ltd.	7.71
17.	Paradeep Phosphates Ltd.	0.25
18.	Projects & Development India Ltd.	28.93

1	2	3
19.	Pyrites, Phosphates & Chemicals Ltd.	18.93
20.	Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Ltd.	5.71
21.	Air India Ltd.	0.30
22.	Hotel Corporation of India Ltd.	2.41
23.	Indian Airlines Ltd.	3.65
24.	Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Ltd.	2.07
25.	Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	419.10
26.	Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd.	3.16
27.	Neyveli Lignite Corpn. Ltd.	18.33
28.	Northern Coalfields Ltd.	0.11
29.	South Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	27.19
30.	Western Coalfields Ltd.	71.24
31.	India Trade Promotion Organisation	0.78
32.	P E C Ltd.	1.87
33.	Spices Trading Corporation Ltd.	0.09
34.	State Trading Corpn. of India Ltd.	74.00
35.	H T L Ltd.	13.02
36.	I T I Ltd.	131.29
37.	Central Warehousing Corpn.	13.60
38.	Food Corpn. of India	0.15
39.	Bharat Dynamics Ltd.	9.48
40.	Bharat Earth Movers Ltd.	78.36
41.	Bharat Electronics Ltd.	93.83
42.	Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd.	7.72
43.	Goa Shipyard Ltd.	0.06
44.	Mazagon Dock Ltd.	38.45
45.	Mishra Dhatu Nigam Ltd.	2.19
46.	Vignyan Industries Ltd.	1.26
47.	Andaman & Nicobar Isl. Forest & Plant. Dev. Corp. Ltd.	0.01
48.	Hindustan Latex Ltd.	4.33

1	2	3
49.	Andrew Yule & Company Ltd.	15.90
50.	Bharat Brakes & Valves Ltd.	2.61
51.	Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd.	447.00
52.	Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Ltd.	30.35
53.	Bharat Leather Corpn. Ltd.	1.79
54.	Bharat Pumps & Compressors Ltd.	7.45
55.	Braithwaite & Co. Ltd.	18.79
56.	Bridge & Roof Co. (India) Ltd.	4.88
57.	Burn Standard Company Ltd.	78.89
58.	Cement Corpn. Of India Ltd.	10.94
59.	Engineering Projects (India) Ltd.	6.97
60.	Heavy Engineering Corpn. Ltd.	194.96
61.	Hindustan Cables Ltd.	146.18
62.	Hindustan Newsprint Ltd.	1.74
63.	Hindustan Paper Corporation Ltd.	1.42
64.	Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Corpn. Ltd.	52.40
65.	Hindustan Salts Ltd.	4.83
66.	HMT Ltd.	438.84
67.	Instrumentation Ltd.	65.33
68.	Jessop & Co. Ltd.	16.24
69.	Mandya National Paper Mills Ltd.	18.91
70.	Mining & Allied Machinery Corpn. Ltd.	307.38
71.	Nagaland Pulp & Paper Company Ltd.	4.32
72.	National Industrial Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	8.37
73.	National Instruments Ltd.	20.45
74.	Nepa Ltd.	20.70
75.	Praga Tools Ltd.	17.17
76.	Rehabilitation Industries Corpn. Ltd.	56.09
77.	Richardson & Crudas (1972) Ltd.	66.39
78.	Scooters India Ltd.	16.44
79.	Tannery & Footwear Corpn. of India Ltd.	4.00

1	2	3
80.	Triveni Structurals Ltd.	42.35
81.	Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd.	7.13
82.	Tyre Corporation of India Ltd.	27.40
83.	Weighbird (India) Ltd.	8.66
84.	National Film Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	2.36
85.	C.M.C. Ltd.	0.59
86.	Electronics Trade & Technology Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	1.00
87.	Semi-Conductor Complex Ltd.	0.50
88.	Bharat Aluminium Co. Ltd.	9.20
89.	Bharat Gold Mines Ltd.	87.70
90.	Hindustan Copper Ltd.	403.22
91.	Hindustan Zinc Ltd.	101.20
92.	Minerals Exploration Corpn. Ltd.	33.70
93.	National Aluminium Company Ltd.	0.69
94.	Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd.	32.15
95.	Biecco Lawrie Ltd.	7.99
96.	Engineers India Ltd.	6.04
97.	I.B.P. Co. Ltd.	5.54
98.	Indian Oil Blending Ltd.	0.94
99.	Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.	167.01
100.	Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd.	210.83
101.	Oil India Ltd.	7.78
102.	ONGC Videsh Ltd.	0.23
103.	National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd.	14.04
104.	Central Electronics Ltd.	4.05
105.	National Small Scale Industries Corpn. Ltd.	20.01
106.	Bharat Refractories Ltd.	18.00
107.	Hindustan Steel Works Construction Ltd.	133.95
108.	Kudremukh Iron Ore Co. Ltd.	4.33
109.	Maharashtra Elektrosmelt Ltd.	0.63
110.	Manganese Ore (India) Ltd.	9.71

1	2	3
111.	Sponge Iron India Ltd.	9.41
112.	Steel Authority of India Ltd.	143.85
113.	Central Inland Water Transport Corpn. Ltd.	24.06
114.	Cochin Shipyard Ltd.	2.64
115.	Dredging Corpn. of India Ltd.	5.75
116.	Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.	50.40
117.	Hooghly Dock and Port Engineers Ltd.	10.54
118.	Indian Road Construction Corpn. Ltd.	3.87
119.	British India Corporation Ltd.	26.40
120.	Brushware Ltd.	0.27
121.	Cawnpore Textiles Ltd.	10.42
122.	Central Cottage Industries Corpn. of India Ltd.	6.26
123.	Cotton Corpn. of India Ltd.	0.14
124.	Elgin Mills Company Ltd.	46.38
125.	Handicrafts & Handlooms Exports Corp. India Ltd.	7.22
126.	Jute Corpn. of India Ltd.	4.49
127.	National Jute Manufacturers Corporation Ltd.	42.88
128.	North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Dev. Corp. Ltd.	0.23
129.	NTC (A. Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe) Ltd.	68.61
130.	NTC (Delhi, Punjab & Rajasthan) Ltd.	23.14
131.	NTC (Gujarat) Ltd.	77.73
132.	NTC (Madhya Pradesh) Ltd.	65.67
133.	NTC (Maharashtra North) Ltd.	140.99
134.	NTC (South Maharashtra) Ltd.	113.53
135.	NTC (Tamilnadu & Pondicherry) Ltd.	57.09
136.	NTC (Uttar Pradesh) Ltd.	92.28
137.	India Tourism Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	8.68
138.	Hindustan Prefab Ltd.	9.35
139.	National Bldg. Constn. Corpn. Ltd.	13.90

1	2	3
140.	National Projects Construction Corpn. Ltd.	48.08
141.	Electronics Corpn. of India Ltd.	52.95
142.	Indian Rare Earths Ltd.	3.52
143.	Chennai Petroleum Corpn. Ltd.	3.30
	TOTAL:	**5960.16**

Improving the production performance of ailing PSUs

832. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to improve the production performance of ailing public sector units and make them profitable before putting them up for sale;

(b) if so, the details of such ailing PSUs which will be made profitable during the current financial year;

(c) the total investment to be made in such PSUs; and

(d) the target set for the improvement in the production performance of sick PSUs in the current plan period.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI RAMJI BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (d) The Government's policy towards public sector as enunciated in the Budget Speech for the year 2000-01 is to:

— Restructure and revive potentially viable PSUs
— Close down PSUs which can not be revived
— Bring down Government equity in all non-strategic PSUs to 26% or lower, if necessary; and
— Fully protect the interests of worker